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Dear Sirs,

RE.: National phase of PCT/EP99/08481
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in the name of Aquisitio S.p.A.

With reference to our order letter of April 11, 2001, please find herewith enclosed the Declaration and Assignment duly executed.

The Applicant can be entitled to the "small entity" status.

Yours faithfully,
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